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> PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006 for two (2) months from April 24, 2006 to June 26, 2006. An Amendment responding to the Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 10-0750/HRT0228/BST in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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